

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 1, amend the Title to read as follows:

--CHARGING METHOD FOR USE IN SERVICE PROVIDING SYSTEM,
PROGRAM, AND STORAGE MEDIUM--.

Page 1, after the Title, please insert the following paragraph:

This application is a National Stage application of PCT/JP03/14409, filed November 12, 2003, which claims priority from Japanese patent application JP 2002-332843, filed November 15, 2002. The entire contents of each of the aforementioned applications are incorporated herein by reference.